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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Geoffrey B. RHOADS

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SERIAL NO: New Application

EXAMINER:

FILED: Herewith

FOR: METHODS FOR INSERTING AND DETECTING WATERMARK IN DIGITAL DATA

REQUEST FOR PRIORITY

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SIR:

■ Full benefit of the filing date of U.S. Application Serial Number 09/186,962, filed November 5, 1998, which is a continuation application of Serial No. 08/649,419, filed May 16, 1996, now U.S. Patent 5,862,260, which is a continuation-in-part of Serial No. 08/637,531, filed April 25, 1996, now U.S. Patent 5,822,436, which is a continuation -in-part of Serial Nos. 08/534,005, filed September 25, 1995, now U.S. Patent 5,832,119, 08/512,993, filed August 9, 1995, now abandoned, 08/508,083, filed July 27, 1995, now U.S. Patent 5,841,978, 08/436,098, filed May 8, 1995, now U.S. Patent 5,636,292, and 08/317,426, filed October 21, 1994, now U.S. Patent 5,768,426, which is a continuation-in-pat of 08/215,289, filed March 17, 1994, now abandoned, and 08/154,866, filed November 18, 1993, now abandoned is claimed pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §120.

- ☐ Full benefit of the filing date of U.S. Provisional Application Serial Number , filed , is claimed pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §119(e).
- ☐ Applicants claim any right to priority from any earlier filed applications to which they may be entitled pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §119, as noted below.

In the matter of the above-identified application for patent, notice is hereby given that the applicants claim as priority:

<u>COUNTRY</u>	<u>APPLICATION NUMBER</u>	<u>MONTH/DAY/YEAR</u>
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Certified copies of the corresponding Convention Application(s)

- ☐ are submitted herewith
- ☐ will be submitted prior to payment of the Final Fee
- ☐ were filed in prior application Serial No. filed
- ☐ were submitted to the International Bureau in PCT Application Number .
Receipt of the certified copies by the International Bureau in a timely manner under PCT Rule 17.1(a) has been acknowledged as evidenced by the attached PCT/IB/304.
- ☐ (A) Application Serial No.(s) were filed in prior application Serial No. filed ; and
(B) Application Serial No.(s)
☐ are submitted herewith
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